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Representative Pierce Praises Enactment of Legislation Bringing Simulcasts to Arizona Downs

STATE CAPITOL, PHOENIX – Representative Steve Pierce (R-1) praised the enactment of [HB 2547](#), which was signed into law by Governor Ducey last week.

HB 2547 brings parity to off-track betting facilities in Arizona by requiring that out-of-state simulcasts of horse races be made available to all live-racing venues and wagering facilities in the state at a reasonable price. Under the new law, Arizona Downs in Prescott Valley will be eligible to receive out-of-state simulcasts.

“Government shouldn’t favor specific private businesses over others, so I’m glad that the law has been changed to put off-track betting facilities in the state on equal footing,” said Representative Pierce. **“A more equitable law means that Arizona Downs in Prescott Valley will have the opportunity to simulcast out-of-state races.”**

“Arizona Downs is an economic engine in my district – bringing in considerable tourism dollars and creating about 500 jobs during the racing season, so I’m thrilled that my colleagues in the Legislature supported HB 2547 and Governor Ducey signed it into law.”

“Representative Mark Finchem, who introduced HB 2547, and Senator Sonny Borrelli, who added the floor amendment regarding simulcasts, deserve much of the credit for getting this legislation passed. Thank you both!”

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